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To

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Development & Panchayats Department, Chandigarh
3. Addl. Chief Secretary to Government, Haryana
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Subject: Proceedings for 7th meeting of the Executive Committee of State Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management & Planning Authority (State Authority), Haryana.

With reference to subject mentioned above, please find enclosed the proceedings of the 7th meeting of Executive Committee of State Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management & Planning Authority (State Authority), Haryana held on 29.04.2022 under the Chairmanship of Sh. Jagdish Chander, IFS, Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Haryana, Panchkula.

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Proceeding of 7th meeting of the Executive Committee of the State Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management and Planning Authority, (State Authority) held at Committee Room, Van Bhavan, Panchkula on 29.04.2022 under the Chairmanship of Sh. Jagdish Chander, IFS, Principal Chief Conservator of Forest (HoFF), Haryana.

Background

The 7th meeting of the Executive Committee of State Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management and Planning Authority, (State Authority), Haryana chaired by Sh. Jagdish Chander, IFS PCCF (HoFF), Haryana was held on 29.04.2022. The list of the participants who attended the meeting is attached as **Annexure-I**.

At the outset, Dr. Vivek Saxena, IFS, Chief Executive Officer, CAMPA, State Authority, Haryana welcomed the Chairman and the members of the Executive Committee. The Chief Executive Officer gave a brief account of the institutional mechanism of utilizing funds collected under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 with the formation of National and State CAMPA Authority under the provisions of Compensatory Afforestation Fund Act, 2016 and Compensatory Afforestation Fund Rule, 2018. He also apprised the Committee that APO 2022-23 of State Authority was discussed in the 6th meeting of Executive Committee and subsequently was submitted for approval of the Steering Committee in its 4th meeting held on 12.04.2022. The Steering Committee deferred the discussion on the same and had recommended to revise the APO 2022-23 as it was not submitted in Form XII as prescribed under Compensatory Afforestation Fund Rules, 2018. Therefore, the APO 2022-23 has now been revised and prepared in the prescribed Form XII. The proposed APO 2022-23 has been prepared with an estimated outlay of Rs. 28215.69 Lakh.

The Committee took up the agenda items and after detailed deliberations made following recommendations for consideration by the Steering Committee:-

Agenda No. 1: Confirmation of the minutes of the 6th meeting of the Executive Committee

It was informed that the minutes of 6th Meeting of the Executive Committee were circulated vide letter No. 1272 dated 14.01.2022 and no comments were received from any member. The Committee was requested to confirm the minutes.

The Executive Committee confirmed the minutes of the meeting held on 12.01.2022.

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Agenda No. 2: Review of Physical and Financial Progress of APO 2021-22

The Annual Plan of Operation for the year 2021-22 has been implemented by the State Authority during the financial year 2021-22, after getting it duly approved at an amount of Rs. 31751.00 Lakh from the National CAMPA Authority under the new Act/Rules. The State Government had made a provision of Rs. 21249.35 Lakh under APO 2021-22 for the State Authority.

Physical & Financial Progress of APO 2021-22

Activities	Physical Target approved by National Authority (in Ha.)	Achievement (in Ha.)	Amount approved by National Authority (Rs. in Lakh)	Achievement (Rs. in Lakh)
Site specific activities under CAF Rule	2246.00	1880.60	13671.66	7479.21
Activities under NPV Component under CAF Rule 5	1785.00	1687.50	16621.29	12343.95
Activities under Interest component under CAF Rule 6	L/s	L/s	1466.20	134.14
Total			31759.15	19957.30

The Committee noted physical and financial progress for APO 2021-22.

Agenda No. 3: Proposed Annual Plan of Operations for the year 2022-23

The committee took note of the fact that the proposed revised APO 2022-23 has been prepared with an estimated outlay of Rs.26641.77 Lakh. The amount of Rs. 4363.92 Lakh proposed for activities under Artificial Regeneration component under Rule 5(2)(b) was wrongly depicted as Rs. 4300.00 Lakh in the enclosed annexure on "Abstract of APO 2022-23". It was directed to incorporate the correct figure in the abstract. As directed by the Chairman EC, the proposal of hiring building on lease for office establishment and residences of the officers of the State Authority at a total cost of Rs. 30.00 Lakh under agenda item no. 3.3.5 has been dropped, at this stage. After incorporation of the correct figures the total outlay of APO 2022-23 would become Rs. 28215.69 Lakh.

The committee discussed the following broad proposals which have been formulated under the APO 2022-23.

Agenda No. 3.1: Proposals under site specific activities of new plantations under Compensatory Afforestation and maintenance of CA plantations.

CA is one of the most important conditions stipulated by the Central Government while approving proposals for diversion of forest land for non-forestry purposes. The money received for Compensatory Afforestation is to be used as per site specific schemes approved by the Central Govt. while sanctioning the cases under Forest Conservation Act, 1980.

Compensatory Afforestation (CA), Additional Compensatory Afforestation (ACA) and Penal Compensatory Afforestation (PCA) over an area of 2070.84 Ha. is proposed to be carried out during the year 2022-23 as per approved CA schemes. The proposed expenditure on account of protection, supervisory charges, SMC works, Misc. charges/overheads and other charges in each of the CA plantation activity has been taken on the basis of assessment by the respective forest divisions. An amount of Rs. 2643.33 Lakh is proposed to be spent on maintenance of plantations raised under CA component.

The Executive Committee deliberated on the proposal and recommended the proposal of an expenditure of Rs. 10063.44 Lakh on account of new plantation works under CA and Rs. 2643.33 Lakh on account of maintenance of CA plantations done during the last 5 years.

Agenda No. 3.2: Proposals under Net Present Value (NPV) Component

3.2.1 Activities to be carried out under Rule 5(2)(a)-(Assisted Natural Regeneration)

Forest areas which need assistance for natural regeneration will be taken up for plantation as per site specific requirements. Under this component Site specific proposals for Assisted Natural Regeneration in the degraded forest areas will be submitted by the forest divisions which will be approved after scrutiny on technical parameters. About 300 Ha. area is proposed to be restored at a cost of Rs. 570.00 Lakh, as per details given below:-

Activities under Assisted Natural Regeneration	Target (in Ha.)	Rate (Rs. per Ha.)	Amount (Rs. in Lakh)
Plantation work assisting natural regeneration in forest areas having root stock	300	190000	570.00

The Committee approved and recommended the proposal for consideration of the Steering Committee.

3.2.2 Activities to be carried out under Rule 5(2)(b)-(Artificial Regeneration)

The Committee deliberated upon the various kinds of plantations and allied works proposed under Artificial Regeneration. It has been proposed to incur expenditure on the various activities under Artificial Regeneration which also includes maintenance of plantations as per the details given below:-

Activities under Artificial Regeneration	Target	Rate (Rs. per RKM/Ha.)	Amount (Rs. in Lakh)
Plantation of tall plants	1000 RKM	103057	1030.57
Site specific protection for plantation	100 RKM	220000	220.00
Ridge plantations	400 RKM	112848	451.39
Native Species Plantations	150 Ha.	247890	371.83

Maintenance of plantations under AR	5961.84 Ha.		2290.13
		Total	4363.92

The outlay for the above activity has been wrongly depicted as Rs. 4300.00 Lakh in the enclosed annexure on "Abstract of APO 2022-23". It was directed to incorporate the correct figure in the abstract. After incorporation of the correct figure the total outlay of APO 2022-23 would become Rs. 28215.69 Lakh.

The Committee approved and recommended the proposal as above for consideration of Steering Committee.

3.2.3 Activities to be carried out under Rule 5(2)(g)-(Soil and Moisture Conservation Works in the Forest)

The Shivalik Hills region in northern and Aravalli Hills in southern part of the State are highly prone to run off and soil erosion. Due to hilly and undulating topography, rain water is drained out of the area at high speed during rainy season. Such runoff causes loss of top soil in the form of soil erosion and also adversely affects ground water recharge. Hence, soil conservation measures such as construction of Earthen Dams, Masonry Structures, Cement Concrete Structures, Check Dams, Silt Detention Dams and Crate Wire Structures etc. are required.

The Chairman, for the benefit of the members representing other departments, explained in detail various activities being carried out under SMC component. It has been proposed to carry out site specific Soil and Moisture Conservations works in Shivalik and Aravali Hill regions after scrutinizing the received proposals on technical parameters. An outlay of Rs. 2000.00 Lakh has been kept for this activity.

The Committee approved the proposal and recommended to the Steering Committee for consideration.

3.2.4 Activities to be carried out under Rule 5(2)(i)-(improvement of wildlife habitat as provided in the approved wildlife management plan or working plan)

There are 2 National Parks, 7 Wildlife Sanctuaries, 2 Conservation Reserves and 5 Community Reserve in the State. Habitat improvement measures such as construction of *Kachha* Water Pond, removal of weeds and Lantana, creation of sand mounds, removal of Prosopis, plantation of native species and development of grasslands are needed in the protected areas. For better management and protection of wildlife in the State, infrastructure strengthening activities such as construction of aviary for rescued birds, shelter for rescued reptiles, feeding platforms for birds, treatment centre have been proposed. For the above said purpose, an outlay of Rs. 400.00 Lakh is proposed against the proposals received.

The Committee discussed the proposal and recommended an outlay of Rs. 400.00 Lakh for consideration by the Steering Committee.

3.2.5 Activities to be carried out under Rule 5(2)(l)-(supply of wood-saving cooking appliances, biomass based wooden plates and other forest produce saving devices in forest fringe villages as specified by the National Authority from time to time)

The State Authority has received a proposal from an NGO, "AAPSI" for promotion of Gaukashth (sticks made of cow dung) and improved fuel saving crematoriums in the rural areas. The said NGO has submitted a detailed proposal giving the cost economies of establishing improved fuel saving crematoriums and preparation of sticks made of cow dung. The proposal also includes benefits derived from use of such improved devices. The total cost for supply, transportation, erection and training for one unit has been given as 3.35 Lakh.

It is proposed to incur an expenditure of Rs 20.00 Lakh on promotion of these devices in villages falling under forest divisions. Specific proposals in this regard will be invited through DFO's/VFC's desirous of introducing these devices and based on the scrutiny of the proposals the funds would be provided to the concerned forest divisions to implement the activity.

The Committee discussed the proposal and recommended for consideration by the Steering Committee.

3.2.6 Activities to be carried out under Rule 5(3)(a) and 5(3)(j)-(establishment, up-gradation and maintenance of modern nurseries and other planting stock production facilities for production of quality planting materials)

The availability of quality seedlings plays an important role in the success of any afforestation programme. There are about 200 permanent nurseries in the Forest Department situated in various districts of the State. Presently, the departmental nurseries lack modern facilities like climate controlled poly house, mist chamber, shed net houses, automation unit, solar water pump, raised bed for root trainers etc. The nurseries having such facilities overcome the limitations like poor control over climatic factors, low germination percentage, longer duration for establishment of seedlings and high production cost involved. It has been proposed to incur an expenditure of Rs. 3500.00 Lakh on establishment of 10 high-tech nurseries as per Rule 5(3)(a) in the State during the year 2022-23. An amount of Rs. 300.00 Lakh has been proposed to be spent on various activities as per Rule 5(3)(j).

The Committee discussed the proposals as above and recommended for consideration by the Steering Committee.

3.2.7 Activities to be carried out under Rule 5(3)(e)-(construction of residential and official buildings in forests for front line staffs deployed for protection of forest and wildlife)

The CAF Rules provide for construction of buildings for front line staff. The Committee discussed the proposals regarding construction of offices and residences for front line staff under these rules and recommended an outlay of Rs. 1000.00 Lakh for consideration by the Steering Committee.

3.2.8 Activities to be carried out under Rule 5(3)(g)-(survey and mapping of forest areas for forest fire control, compensatory afforestation works, soil and moisture conservation, catchment area treatment and wildlife management for preparing annual plans to be executed from the State Fund)

Most of the strip and block forests are sharing boundaries with the agricultural land and in the absence of proper demarcation of forest areas there is always a likelihood of such forest areas getting encroached due to anthropogenic pressures. Survey, mapping and demarcation of forest areas to be taken up for artificial regeneration and assisted natural regeneration during the next year APO 2023-24 would be an important activity for inclusion of such areas in the annual plan.

The Committee recommended an outlay of Rs. 700.00 Lakh for survey and demarcation of forest areas as mentioned above for consideration by the Steering Committee.

3.2.9 Activities to be carried out under Rule 5(3)(h)-(independent concurrent monitoring and evaluation and third party monitoring of various works undertaken from State Fund)

Independent evaluation of the works undertaken by State Authority is an important mandate under the CAF Act, 2016. Third party evaluation of the works carried out under CAMPA during 2018-19 and 2019-20 has been completed and third party monitoring by an independence agency (The Energy Research Institute, New Delhi.) for plantation done in year 2020-21 is in progress. The authority proposes to carry out independent third party evaluation of works carried out under CAMPA during the last 5 years. It is proposed that monitoring and evaluation of works carried out under all the 4 territorial circles will be carried out by a separate agency selected after following due procedure. An outlay of Rs 150.00 Lakh for third party monitoring of plantations and other works carried under CAMPA APO 2017-18 to 2021-22 has been proposed. Moreover, studies related to wood availability, e-forest fire, management tool, pilot studies on Forest Certification, which is very important for supporting agro-forestry industries in Haryana, etc. as appropriate may be taken.

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The Committee discussed the proposal and recommended it as such for consideration by the Steering Committee.

3.2.10 Activities to be carried out under Rule 5(3)(i)-(publicity-cum-awareness programme and exhibition on the various schemes being implemented by the State Authority from State Fund)


Activities related to Publicity, Education and Training such as Awareness Camps in schools, villages etc., for dissemination of information related to various achievements / activities under CAMPA Project will be undertaken.

An amount of Rs. 150.00 Lakh on the activities as mentioned above has been proposed. The Executive Committee considered the proposal and recommended an outlay of Rs. 150.00 Lakh for Publicity, Education and Training activities for consideration by the Steering Committee.

Agenda 3.3: Proposal for Expenditure from Interest Component

3.3.1 Activities to be carried out under Rule 6(a)(i)-(to offset the incremental cost of compensatory afforestation and penal compensatory afforestation at the increased wage rates)

The cost norms approved for CA (new work) in the APO are at wage rates which were prevalent at the time when the proposals for diversion of forest lands for non forestry purposes were approved by the Central Government. Since the plantation works take place at a later date when the wage rates have undergone upward revision at half yearly intervals, there is a need to compensate for the incremental cost of the wage rates which has occurred over the period. The current wage rate w.e.f. 01.07.2021 is Rs. 377.04 per day. This wage rate is likely to get further enhanced during the proposed APO year. Therefore, incremental cost is to be taken into account keeping in view a wage rate of Rs. 400.00 per day for the proposed APO year. An amount of Rs. 2000.00 Lakh has been proposed to be spent on account of incremental cost of CA at increased


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The Executive Committee considered the proposal and recommended an outlay of Rs. 2000.00 Lakh for consideration by the Steering Committee.

3.3.2 Activities to be carried out under Rule 6(a)(iv)-(Disbursement of salary and allowances of members and staffs, both regular and contractual, of the State Authority)

There is no regular staff in the State Authority for conducting day to day office work. Therefore, services of the office staff like Financial Advisor, Consultants (General, Account & Technical), Project Fellow and Data Entry Operator etc. is to be hired on contract basis. The expenditure on account of salary / leave salary and pension contribution etc. of CEO, Joint CEO and Dy. CEO and office expenses are also to be provided. An outlay of Rs. 300.00 Lakh has been proposed for the said expenses.

The Committee discussed the proposal and recommended it for consideration by the Steering Committee with the condition that contractual manpower would be hired through Haryana Kaushal Rozgar Nigam Ltd.

3.3.3 Activities to be carried out under Rule 6(b)(ii)-(office equipment including computers and peripherals and its maintenance for the State Authority)

The Committee discussed the above proposal to incur an expenditure of Rs. 30.00 Lakh on account of office equipments and their maintenance during the year 2022-23 and recommended for consideration by the Steering Committee.

3.3.4 Activities to be carried out under Rule 6(b)(iii)-(hiring of staff cars for the use of the officers and officials of the State Authority)

The Committee discussed the above proposal to incur an expenditure of Rs. 25.00 Lakh on account of hiring of vehicles. It was directed that the hiring of vehicles will be done by following the procedure and norms laid down by the Finance Department for Public Sector Boards / Corporations / Authorities during the year 2022-23.

The Executive Committee recommended the proposal as such for consideration by the Steering Committee.


Agenda 4: Deferment of certain activities under APO 2021-22 to the first quarter of next financial year (left over works)

The APO for the year 2021-22 was approved by the Steering Committee for a total cost of Rs. 31966.15 Lakh which was forwarded to the National Authority, CAMPA, New Delhi vide this office letter No. 05 dated 08-04-2021. The National Authority gave an approval of Rs. 31759.00 Lakh for APO 2021-22 vide letter No. 15/6/2020/NA dated 31-08-2021. Since the approval for APO was received in the month of June, 2021, certain activities under the APO got delayed due to various reasons such as late submission and approval of detailed estimates, tendering for the activities etc. All these activities will require their deferment to the first quarter of the next financial year so that the work which has already been carried out will be completed

during 2022-23. A total amount of Rs. 477.02 Lakh has been proposed to be spent on the left over activities during 2022-23.

The Committee discussed the proposal and recommended it as such for consideration by the Steering Committee.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.


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Abstract of Annual Plan of Operation 2022-23

Sr. No.	Component	Qty.	Proposed Amount (Rs. in Lakh)
3.1	Compensatory Afforestation (New Work).	2070.84 Ha.	10063.44
	Maintenance of CA plantations of previous years.	5092.39 Ha.	2643.33
	Sub-Total		12706.77
3.2	Proposals for expenditure from NPV component		
3.2.1	Assisted Natural Regeneration	300 Ha	570.00
3.2.2	Artificial Regeneration including maintenance of plantations under AR	1500 RKM & 150 Ha. Maint. 5961.84 Ha.	4363.92
3.2.3	Soil & Moisture Conservation.	L/s	2000.00
3.2.4	Improvement of wildlife habitat as provided in the approved wildlife management plan or working plan	L/s	400.00
3.2.5	Supply of wood-saving cooking appliances and other forest produce saving devices	L/s	20.00
3.2.6	Establishment, up-gradation and maintenance of modern nurseries. Production of quality planting material	10 Nurseries L/s	3800.00
3.2.7	Construction of residential and official buildings in forests for front line staffs	L/s	1000.00
3.2.8	Survey and mapping of forest areas	L/s	700.00
3.2.9	Independent concurrent monitoring and evaluation and third party monitoring of various works	L/s	150.00
3.2.10	Publicity-cum-awareness programme and exhibition on the various schemes	L/s	150.00
	Sub-Total		13153.92
3.3	Proposals for expenditure from interest component.		
3.3.1	To offset the incremental cost of compensatory afforestation	L/s	2000.00
3.3.2	Disbursement of salary and allowances of members and staffs, both regular and contractual, of the State Authority	L/s	300.00
3.3.3	Office equipment including computers and peripherals and its maintenance for the State Authority	L/s	30.00
3.3.4	Hiring of staff cars for the use of the officers and officials of the State Authority	L/s	25.00
	Sub-Total		2355.00
	G. Total		28215.69

Annexure-I

Attendance Sheet for 7th Meeting of the Executive Committee of State CAMPA Authority Held under the chairmanship of Sh. Jagdish Chander, IFS, PCCF (HoFF), Haryana on 29.04.2022

Sr. No.	Name	Name of the Department	Designation
1	Sh. Jagdish Chander, IFS	Forest Department	Chairman, PCCF (HoFF)
2	Sh. Pankaj Goel, IFS	Forest Department	Member & PCCF, Wildlife
3	Dr. Vivek Saxena, IFS	CAMPA	Member Secretary & CEO, CAMPA
4	Sh. Suresh Dalal, IFS	Forest Department	Member & APCCF, Forestry
5	Sh. G. Raman, IFS	Forest Department	Member & APCCF, Development
6	Sh. Atul Sirsikar	CAMPA	Jt. CEO, CAMPA
7	Radhika Singh, HCS	Finance Department	Dy. Secretary
8	Nirmal Nagar, HCS	Panchayat & Development	Jt. Director
9	Dr. Kuldeep Gautam	Agriculture Department	ADA (SC)
10	Sh. Harish Kumar	Revenue Department	D.S.R


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